GOVERNMENT OF INDIA
URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION
LOK SABHA

STARRED QUESTION NO:209
ANSWERED ON:16.12.2003
DEVELOPMENT OF TOWNS
AVSM, BRIG.(RETD.) KAMAKHYA PRASAD SINGH DEO

Will the Minister of URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVATION be pleased to state:

(a) the names of towns included under the Integrated Development of Small and Medium Towns Scheme during the current financial year alongwith the allocation made for the purpose, State-wise; and

(b) the details of the plan formulated and steps taken for the development of those towns?

Answer

MINISTER OF STATE (INDEPENDENT CHARGE) IN THE MINISTRY OF URBAN DEVELOPMENT AND POVERTY ALLEVIATION (SHRI BANDARU DATTATRAYA)

(a)&(b): A Statement is laid on the Table of the Sabha.

STATEMENT

STATEMENTREFERREDTO IN REPLY TO LOK SABHASTARREDQUESTION NO.209 FOR 16.12.2003 REGARDIN DEVELOPMENT OF TOWNS.

(a): There is a Budget Estimate of Rs.100.00 crores for grants-in-aid to States/UTs for the year 2003-04 under the Integrated Development of Small and Medium Towns (IDSMT) Scheme. The details of State-wise allocation are given in Annexure-I.

As on 11th December, 2003, 114 towns have been included under the Scheme and central assistance for an amount of Rs.4350.97 lakhs has been released. In addition, central assistance amounting to Rs.1168.40 lakhs has also been released to 21 ongoing towns. List of these towns is given in Annexure-II.

Further inclusion of towns for the release of balance amount of central assistance depends upon Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) received from the State Governments/UTs during the current financial year, 2003-04.

(b): Urban development is a State subject. The details of the plans, for towns to be included under IDSMT, in the form of Detailed Project Reports (DPRs) are formulated by Urban Local Bodies/implementing agencies as per the guidelines of the Scheme.

As for steps taken for development, the DPRs received from Urban Local Bodies/implementing agencies are approved and central assistance is released as per eligibility criteria with the provision of matching State share.

The said details in terms of project cost and salient components of the town-wise projects alongwith action taken in respect of 135 towns are at Annexure-III.